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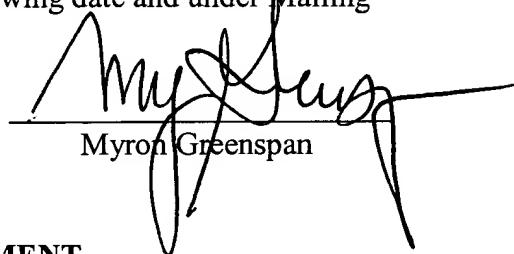
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 24, 2006, applicant is simultaneously filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and kindly request that the above identified Patent Application be amended as follows.